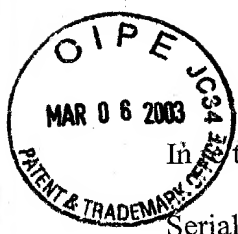


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For: **GRID TYPE ENGINE GENERATOR APPARATUS FOR CONNECTING AN
OUTPUT OF AN ENGINE-DRIVEN GENERATOR TO A POWER NETWORK
(AS AMENDED)**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **December 18, 2002**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) An engine generator apparatus for interconnecting an output of a generator driven by an engine with a power network, comprising:

an oxygen density sensor provided on the engine for controlling the air-fuel ratio based on its output;

a means for interconnecting the output of the power generator with the power network